



City of Huntington Beach

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MEETING DATE: 7/6/2021

REQUEST FOR CITY COUNCIL ACTION

SUBMITTED TO: Honorable Mayor and City Council Members

SUBMITTED BY: Oliver Chi, City Manager

PREPARED BY: Chris Slama, Director of Community & Library Services

Subject:

Approve and authorize execution of a new Cooperative Agreement between the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and the City of Huntington Beach for Senior Mobility Program (SMP) transportation services

Statement of Issue:

The existing Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-2475 between the Orange County Transportation Authority (OCTA) and the City for the provision of senior mobility transportation services expired on June 30, 2021. There is now a need to enter into a new Cooperative Agreement with the OCTA to continue to receive Senior Mobility Program (SMP) funding.

Financial Impact:

The grant award amount varies annually based on actual Renewed Measure M (M2) funds and the City's senior population. In Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22, the estimated grant amount is \$235,264 with a corresponding estimated 20% match of \$47,053. Historically, the 20% match obligation has been met through the annual Hoag Memorial Hospital Presbyterian grant award program. These estimated funds have been included in the FY 2021-22 budget in accounts 96345512 and 10345502 and are appropriated annually.

Recommended Action:

Approve and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute "Cooperative Agreement Between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the City of Huntington Beach for Senior Mobility Program."

Alternative Action(s):

Do not approve the agreement and direct staff to reduce transportation service levels accordingly.

Analysis:

In 1998, OCTA initiated a pilot Senior Mobility Program, which provided transit subsidies and Older Americans Act funding to allow cities to develop locally designed and operated senior transportation programs to meet local needs. Huntington Beach was one of six cities that participated in the pilot

project.

In 2001, the OCTA Board approved a ten-year Senior Mobility Program, which provided senior transportation funding to the City of Huntington Beach through June 30, 2011, for the “Surf City Seniors on the Go!” senior transportation program. This program was created to address the growing number of older adults in Orange County who are in need of dependable, affordable transportation.

The “Surf City Seniors on the Go!” senior transportation program provides curb-to-curb transportation services for Huntington Beach seniors 60 years of age and older to doctor’s offices, shopping centers, social services, and the senior center, providing an average of 32,000 trips annually.

In 2011, the City of Huntington Beach entered into a new five-year Cooperative Agreement with OCTA to continue to provide transportation services for seniors, which expired on June 30, 2016. In 2016, an Amendment to the City’s 2011 agreement was approved by the OCTA Board to continue the program through June 30, 2021. This agreement has now expired, creating the need to enter into a new Cooperative Agreement with OCTA.

OCTA has requested that the City Council approve the attached Cooperative Agreement. Upon City execution, OCTA will fully execute and assign a new agreement number. The initial term of the new agreement will extend from July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2026, and may be renewed by OCTA for an additional 5 years through June 30, 2031. The original Cooperative Agreement C-1-2475 has been attached for comparison; however, there are no substantial changes between the original agreement and the new cooperative agreement.

Environmental Status:

Not applicable.

Strategic Plan Goal:

Community Engagement

Attachment(s):

1. Cooperative Agreement between Orange County Transportation Authority and City of Huntington Beach for Senior Mobility Program.
2. Cooperative Agreement No. C-1-2475 between the Orange County Transportation Authority and the City of Huntington Beach, with Amendment 1.